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White Lies

By WHITELY

Pat Vandeneynde is one gal on this campus that really has a swell sense of humor. She has to have. Anything, no matter how drastic it may be, can always have a funny side, according to "Grandma Vandeneynde." Harry Prongas invited Pat and Isolde Eichenlaub for a ride in his new Wambat Six . . . alias '31 Chev. After getting comfortably settled, Harry got a choke hold on the choke, choking all the life out of his car, which by this time was reclining exhausted in the middle of the street. With the remark that "this is old stuff for me," Pat gracefully leaped out of the car and practically pushed the car through Taylor's wall, midst Harry's screams of "this can't happen to me."

Regardless of that fact Harry, it did.

The law school politicians removed Ed Luckey's petition to enter Sigma Delta Chi's "The Perfect Type" contest, now going full swing.

According to those in the know, the contest is to find the "perfect type" at Oregon, and they believe that if Ed ran for the title all the girls entered would withdraw, due to his super-perfect physique and personality.

It has been suggested by several luminaries of the journalistic fraternity that a proclamation of peace and love be handed to the barristers thanking them heartily for their undying cooperation.

Dean Theodore Kratt of the music school is a mighty pop'lar fella these days. His music appreciation class has them literally in the aisles, and there's no (Please turn to page six)

Congress Must Clear Way for Arming of Merchantmen

By WILLIAM HAIGHT

President Roosevelt wants the authority to arm merchant ships and the repeal of this certain specific part of the neutrality act is now before congress. The repeal of this section of the neutrality act is necessary and right.

The repeal is necessary because it will increase the assurance of the safe arrival of our material sent to England under the lease-lend act. Our navy is now operating under "shooting orders" in "defensive waters" and our merchant ships are plowing through the seas that primarily are within the circumscribed area known as "defensive waters."

The repeal is right from a moral point of view because it eliminates the degrading subterfuge of misusing the flag of the small defenseless Republic of Panama. An example of this subterfuge was graphically made by the sinking of the Pink Star by a German submarine.

Pink Star Incident

The Pink Star lost at sea on September 19, was in a British convoy carrying the flag of the Republic of Panama. Tacked on the captain's door was a sign saying, "this ship is the property of the United States government." The ship was chartered by the United States lines, but her crew was not a United States crew. To add to the confusion the ship was a Norwegian vessel recently seized by this government. The vessel was carrying material to England under the lease-lend act.

And, too, it is well to remember our navy was searching through the same waters for the lurking rattlesnakes of the sea—submarines.

Congress should repeal the of-

fending article of the neutrality act. Then our ships, carrying our material, may defend themselves against attack, and will be able to proudly hoist our flag and not sail under the flag of the Republic of Panama.

German Efficiency

There is always the possibility of a submarine commander spotting the Stars and Stripes fluttering in the sea breeze, but I'll be hanged if German efficiency is developed to the degree of reading a sign posted on the captain's door, from under the sea.

Short note to Sen. Burton (Wheeler, Montana).

Heil Senator: F'evens sake what kind of American history do they teach in Montana schools that would leave you with the impression the doctrine of freedom of the seas is not a traditional American doctrine?

Irritating conjecture:—Why is the American expeditionary force in Iceland under a British commander-in-chief? Shades of Pershing!

Trade Last...

By MARY WOLF

University of Texas—Journalism class is meeting in the Home Economics building. Members are obviously trying to cook up news.

University of Cincinnati—Draft robs many universities of some of their male population! Dr. Raymond Walters, president, reports that numerous institutions have conducted promotional campaigns and waived limitations on the size of freshman classes to offset the losses in upper class enrollment. Maybe that is the way to solve the problem.

Oregon College of Education—Three hundred women and twenty-five men register. What do all those men think that they're doing—going to a girls' school.

Fenn College, Cleveland, Ohio—Charlotte Lehman breaks a precedent by being the first Fenn coed to head council. Miss Lehman, council vice-president, was automatically elevated to the post when President Roger Fleming officially resigned because of impending induction into the army.

University of Nebraska—Mathematics Professor Chester C. Camp hears theory of relativity straight from the lips of Einstein. While at the Princeton university institute for the advanced study of mathematics, Professor Camp had a series of talks with Dr. Einstein. The Nebraska instructor states that Einstein appears to be continuously thinking about his research but that he fears he will not reach the truth about relativity before his death.

The famous physicist also discussed with Camp the world situation. It is Einstein's conviction that Hitler will ultimately fall; that the United States can be of more aid by sending supplies to forces opposed to Hitler than by becoming a belligerent; that the U.S. could defend itself single-handedly against Germany, if that should become necessary.

Perfect Harmony—A freckle-faced girl in a polka dot dress leading a spotted dog in a hail storm.—Baker Log.

We Told You So!

OREGON'S own unique brand of exuberance again put Webfoot rallyers . . . or their representatives . . . on the carpet yesterday.

Last year the railroad company only grumbled disapproval when station farewells for athletic teams turned into the rather destructive fun of marking railroad cars with chalk.

But this year they didn't mince words. They forbade disfiguration of the cars, and when students refused to listen at Wednesday night's rally, it turned out that somebody from this vague organization we call "Oregon" is going to have to pay the bill for revarnishing the cars.

We looked in our files last night, found the following editorial written last January. We feel inclined to say, "We told you so!"

Paint and 'Rah, Rah, Boys'

(Reprinted from Emerald, Jan. 21, 1941)

College students have long been looked down upon by the older generations as the ideal embodiment of the frivolous, carefree, irresponsible youth. Pointed remarks about "rah, rah boys," are not uncommon.

To some extent it cannot be denied college students have earned this reputation. Yet we always like to think that it is only the wild minority that earn such reputations for a saner majority. Students are, we tell ourselves, not all irresponsible.

And yet, we must admit, sometimes students, who are not really irresponsible, thoughtlessly commit some act, without knowing the results of such an act, which causes considerable headshaking. A point in issue is the marking of the rally trains on which the ball teams ride to their various athletic contests.

Undoubtedly the students could see little harm in decorating the trains. It seemed like good clean fun. Had the students known that every time they gave vent to their enthusiasm in such a manner the entire car had to be repainted, we feel confident they would have refrained from such an expensive pastime.

We are told that it is getting to the point where Southern Pacific is threatening to refuse to carry the Oregon teams. While probably they would not go to this length we are confident that the students will respect their property rights. It's a lot of fun to smear the train up, all right, but "the darn stuff doesn't wash off, kids."—H.O.

Standing Room Only

OREGON kills the traditional fatted calf and hangs out the flag today. Because this morning's assembly marks the return of a favorite son to Oregon's university community.

Jay Allen was an undergraduate of the University of Oregon in the early twenties, and it was here under Dean Eric W. Allen, George Turnbull, and other faculty members of the period that he received early training in the journalistic field.

They recall that he was scarcely "classroom minded," for he paid little attention to academic custom, read what he liked, read it when he liked. "In so doing," declares Dean Allen, "he was able to obtain a remarkably fine self-education that is the envy of many."

IN 1921 he was part of the gang that made the journalism shack their home, and a member of the Emerald staff. Jay Allen is a product of that especially fruitful three years between 1920 and 1923 in which the Emerald produced such well-known writers as Ernie Haycox, Robert Ormond Case, Oregonian Publisher Palmer Hoyt, and many others.

Recently released from a German-controlled French prison, Mr. Allen brings back to America a wealth of material on just what is happening abroad. So timely and appealing is the slant ex-Webfoot Jay Allen brings "home" from his years of foreign correspondence that today's meeting has every indication of being one with "standing room only."

With the deck cleared for action on the plans for the new super highway, there should be nothing to prevent a solution to the Thirteenth street traffic problem.

In the Mail Bag

(Editor's note: The Emerald reserves the right to refuse to print unsigned letters to the editor. Since the following is the first received this year without proper signature, an exception is made. If the writer of the letter so desires, his name will not be published, but the letter which is turned in to the editor must be signed.)

To the Editor: In answer to Wednesday's editorial—Rain: No Sports.

Perhaps the yell leaders did take a lot of heckling at the Oregon-Idaho game. Perhaps this heckling was the "chief sport" of the evening. It may be that the rooters were rowdy and that they did act "like spoiled children." But on the other hand, could it not be likewise true that the fans had every reason in the world to carry on their "baby-chair act"?

It's true, the rooting section isn't what it use to be. But whose fault is that?

Whose Fault?

This year is the first year that I've seen that:

(1) The yell kings turn fair-weather leaders on the student body. When the going is smooth and the weather is clear, they're out doing their duty, but if the going gets a bit rough and weather isn't just right they go into hibernation and leave the fans to cheer the team and individual players on their own. And for injuries and substitutions, they did it. Surely they must realize that they are leading yells for OREGON, not Arizona. We do have rain here.

(2) The yell kings actually en-

courage the Oregon fans to cheer when the opposing side is penalized. Even high school yell leaders frown on this show of poor sportsmanship.

Glum Silence

(3) The University band sits in glum silence after each and every Oregon touchdown. Not once did they strike up with "Mighty Oregon" after touchdowns and attempts for extra point. The Webfoots trotted back to midfield only faintly hearing the words of their school song as it was being sung by loyal supporters without aid or leadership.

When the rooting section is left in this condition, without yells when the yells are most needed and without music when music is most needed, exactly what reaction does the Emerald staff expect from the students? It is not students who are to blame for Friday's rowdiness but the yell kings, whose duty it is to lead the fans, control the fans, and especially encourage good sportsmanship. The band, too, might give some cooperation.

Sincerely,
The Nomads.

To the Editor:

W. E. H. defines pacifism as "the settlement of international disputes by arbitration," and then declares that "we have one-half the world willing to arbitrate." Does this mean that one-half the world is pacifist?

May I also ask W. E. H. which half of the world is willing to arbitrate?

Sincerely yours,
Orval Etter.